

FELLOWSHIP Ministries (Donna Russell) – Renamed from Adult ministries. Purpose: Gather people in an informal setting to become better acquainted and work together more efficiently, while partaking of the best food and fellowship our congregation has to offer.

Children (Lauren Mowbray) – Ordering playground. Based on delivery schedule will need set-up plan.
- EASTER DRIVE BY: Using supplies from last year to do an Easter community give out. We have enough materials for 200 bags for kids. Would like to do a drive by after the Palm Sunday Service, and will need volunteers to prep the bags and to hand out of the bags.

Communications – Transitioning to the Churchmarket.is social media support. Website transition is underway. Created teams to get information to members who do not have reliable internet access.

Education (Melissa Raehl) – Conducted 3 virtual teaching training sessions to support Zoom Sunday school plan. Zoom Rooms begin March 7 on 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month, except for Friendship Class meets weekly. Leader training will be offered the 2nd and 4th Sunday mornings. Small group members can leave their group at 10:30 when in-person church begins. Looking to more Zoom Rooms: need leaders for career/singles, college age, military, or any others who want to form a small group

Membership Care (Jane Smith) – In the month of February we sent 7 hand-written notes, 11 prayer requests and 1 Praise Place, 8 e-birthday cards. **Decision was made to renew the online directory support for one year.**

Missions (Mary Hall)– Members have continued to donate food items which were divided between PiN Ministry and Courthouse Community Food Pantry. Both organizations have expressed their gratitude for the donations but have also stressed how crucial such donations are. PiN continues to provide food for the 115 people housed in motels and Community Courthouse is feeding 65 families a week.

We will continue to collect food items for both places in March. There is a special need for canned meats such as tuna, chicken, beef stew, chili and spam. Collection bins are in the library. We are delivering the donations weekly.

Will be making monetary donations of \$450 to both organizations this month.

Evangelism/Outreach (June Raehl) – Outreach Digital free subscription trial ended March 1st and is being replaced by ChurchMarketing.is. Evening posts at 6PM - goal is to increase engagement.

- Weekly Sermon Challenge video clips created through May - posting Mondays at 10AM.
- Ministry Spotlight/Hero Highlights are going well (please let me know if you have a person or ministry you would like to highlight) - This month I have scheduled - SAFE, Youth, Missions and Technology Ministry Highlights. We will highlight Welfare in the Fall.

Facebook Metrics:

- Post engagement over the past 28 days is up 28% (2,066)
- Post reach over the past 28 days is down 32% (2,181)
- Page Views over the past 28 days is up 11% (232)
- Video 3 second Views over the past 28 days is up 37% (2,815)

SAFE (Marny Sanders) – Continuing to stay in touch with our group while we wait to return to the point where we can meet again and participate in fun events such as ones we have shared in the past.

Technology (Scott Willett) – We have had a few dial in users to some recent services.

New computer and software have been added to the sanctuary system allowing for better graphics and text for our online viewers. We also added some video lighting for Wednesday night outdoor and in the sanctuary on Sundays.

Next improvement will be to a new streaming platform. We will be switching from Livestream to Resi which will give us a higher resolution, less audio and video dropouts, and more flexibility in which platforms we stream to. Current livestream viewers will be directed to view at youtube, facebook or ChurchOnline platform. Current Facebook viewers will be unaffected. This change should take place beginning March 17 with the Wednesday night service.

We will continue to online services after we return to in-person services.

Welfare (Mary Hall) – We helped a local woman by purchasing fuel oil to heat her home.

Worship (Joan Pool) – In-person services begin March 21st. Items that need to be accomplished include: Getting trained volunteers to usher and greeters, set up of fellowship hall for additional viewing, encouraging folks to complete the pre-attendance registration, inform our members of the steps being taken to maintain safety (masks, social distancing...), inform parents that children five and older will be required to wear a mask.

Easter flowers and palm branches have been ordered.

Youth (Tommy Moore) - Re-start of youth group – March 10. Looking into a spring and summer mission trip. Looking at opportunities to engage the youth at church and off campus. When allowed, a fun road trip, a spring 30-Hour famine and a springtime mission trip to Roanoke or Ayden, NC, as well as summertime mission trips and SPLASH events.

Pastor Christa – Continuing Lenten Bible study and Wednesday worship services. Rev. Jack Davis will be in the pulpit March 7th and leading worship on Wednesday, March 10th.

Old Business

- COM to work on plan usage of the church tent.
- Security committee to meet to discuss upgrades to church security.

New Business

- Working plans for in-person worship and Holy Week.

Action Items

Council of Ministries Goals for 2021:

1. Bring our church family and friends together Christian fellowship, to include safe family, youth and children opportunities, visitations, socials, and other fellowship opportunities.
2. Involve our congregation in missions and ministries to a greater degree. Get new people involved.
3. Evolve the way we communicate to the congregation using traditional and digital/online methods (No Congregant Left Behind). Improve communication within the COM and other committees.
4. Improve our online small group meetings and transition to in person study and fellowship meetings.